

You're Invited to a Charm Swap

The Saturday "Stitch N Bitch" bee is hosting a Charm Swap,
mini-lesson, get together for CPQ Gals

Saturday, August 1st

At the Lyndon House Fiber Room, 10am to 4ish

Fee is \$5 paid in advance

Are you interested in joining us? Here's the scoop:

We're calling it a Charm Swap but it has nothing whatsoever to do with Moda 5" square charms. In our case, the use of the term "charm" is referring to the old-time get together of quilters who brought fabric to swap with their friends and everybody shared in the bounty to make happy, colorful scrap style quilts. We will all be bringing fabric to swap with each other and get started on making a quilt from our new treasures.

In addition, we will be teaching a few things: sewing a partial seam and cutting 60° triangles, for those that are interested, as well as several little Deb & Terri tidbits.

You Must Bring 30 strips of fabric to be used at the swap.

30 strips of fabric cut 2.5" wide and WOF (width of fabric).

Use as many different fabrics as you can:

- Use only print fabrics. Large or small or medium scale, tone-on-tones are good, but no solids
- Do not use fabrics with a lot of white
- Use good quality, cotton, quilter's weight fabric
- Variety is the key

You must also bring at least 1/2 yard of your own fabric to use for the triangle centers. We recommend that this fabric be a solid or reads-as-a-solid but it doesn't have to be. We also recommend that it be very light or very dark – not a medium value fabric. To save time, cut this fabric into strips that are 4.5" wide X WOF. Cut at least 2 strips.

We highly recommend that – in addition to the strips you plan to share at the swap – that you also bring at least 5 to 10 more strips to use on your own quilt.

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There is no set size or style for this quilt. That will be totally up to you. You can use this start to make a tablerunner or a small lap or anything your imagination can dream up.

The basic block we will make is a 10" triangle.

You will need your sewing machine and all of your basic sewing supplies.

*** You will need to have a ruler for cutting 60° triangles;

- Most long rulers have a 60° line on them - that will work or
- Any 60° triangle ruler as long as it is big enough to cut at least a 5" triangle
- Or bring both!

It is recommended that you also bring your long ruler (aprox 8" X 24") for cutting WOF, etc.

Bring your lunch and anything you wish to share and whatever you want to drink.

Project leaders: Deb Henderson & Terri Jarrett